

THE BRITISH COLONIST

Thursday Morning, May 10, 1896.

COMMERCIAL

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

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May 9—Sloop Enterprise, Swanton, New Westminster.
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HITS.
In New Westminster, on the 6th instant, the wife of the Hon. J. A. R. Homer, of a daughter.

FROM BRIDGE RIVER.—Our Lillooet correspondent, F. W. F., under date the 3d inst., informs us that the first mining dispute was out up to the seat of controversy after a longly hearing in court. The ground in question on the lower river which is now occupied by twelve Lillooet men who availed themselves of the privileges conferred by the mining license and registration, a sluicing claim on a high bar, during the short time they have been in possession of it pays one dollar to the land per hour. Perhaps fifty white men besides have gone up but in the present date we have no accounts from them. Caldwell has been down three times, the knowing ones say he has got a good wages claim; I am of opinion he has nothing very definite but is surveying for a way through the bench and back of the Canyon on to ground that will pay a moderately. The Chinamen are still packing away with rockers, etc., within twenty miles from here; they are estimated at 350. They are next week to be taken to the Lillooet, as they subsist chiefly on vegetables and game brought from the Indians for a trifle.

FROM NEW WESTMINSTER.—The steamer Enterprise arrived yesterday from Fraser River with 20 passengers and Dietz & Nelson's river express. The telegraphic news in yesterday's *Colonian* has been for the most part anticipated. That paper mentions a foolish card that had been put in circulation to the effect that Commissioner O'Reilly had been lynched by the soldiers from Colville, who were all Fenians, and who were the first instalment of a large force expected from California to establish Fenian rule throughout the colony. The card was collected at Yale for the week ending Saturday last amounted to \$2,647.52. The Yale burglars had arrived on the Lillooet heavily chained, under the charge of Officer Coffey. Judge Beebie, who is Registrar, and the Hon. Mr. Walker had arrived in a canoe at Harrisonmouth and left for Douglas. The weather had been very warm at Yale, the thermometer having risen as high as 90° in the shade.

IMPORTANT MISSION.—Yesterday morning the Superintendent of Police and an officer were observed to leave on the steamer Sir James Douglas with horses, fowling pieces, ammunition and all the equipments for a country campaign. On enquiring the nature of their errand we were informed that the armed Caballeros were bound to Cowichan where they would parade the District and compel the Indians to observe the game laws. Further that during their absence special constables have been engaged at \$2.50 per day. We hate to be continually at fault, but our day as public journalists is to raise our voice against the needless expenditure of the public funds, and we seriously hope that the two officers may not have been sent on any mission so supremely foolish and irresponsible in the present condition of the colony. As well as any squad of policemen be detailed along the coast to prevent the natives from catching eels.

STREET CLEANING.—In accordance with the resolution introduced by him into the City Council on Monday night, Councillor Lewis, assisted by other members of the Council and citizens, went round yesterday afternoon with a petition to his Excellency the Governor to allow the chain gang to be employed in cleansing the streets and gutters, and in a short space of time succeeded in obtaining nearly 500 signatures. The names included the principal merchants, tradesmen and property holders in the city, who signed without the slightest hesitation and generally approved of the proposed mode for riding the town of so serious and threatening an evil.

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CUSTOMS RECEIPTS for week ending Saturday, May 5, 1896:—Duties, \$1,870.54; harbor dues, \$81.15; head money, \$181; tonnage dues, \$420.50. Total, \$3,552.19.—Number of passengers entering at this port during same period, 181.—*Columbian*.

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PEL & Co.—Are prepared to supply miners and travelers with every description of groceries and provisions put up in convenient sized packages for transmission to any part of the coast or the sister Colony, at the lowest Free Port prices. Particular attention is paid to the selection of goods for the Big Bend and Bridge River markets, and parties desiring to procure supplies for those mines may rely upon getting a superior article at our store. Coffee roasted and prepared on an improved principle; and Silesia guaranteed free from adulteration, may be had in any desired quantity. PEL & Co., Coffee and Spice Merchants and Family Grocers, Yates street, Victoria, V.I.

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By Electric Telegraph.

SPECIAL TO THE BRITISH COLONIST.

From British Columbia.

LYTTON, May 9.—Mr. James Black has just arrived here and reports things dull at Seymour. He says Weaver and a party had started up the Columbia river in a canoe prospecting. No new strikes. The steamer Marten will be launched to-morrow evening. The passengers by the steamer Oregon who went up by Barnard's stages were put down in Seymour on the 11th day from San Francisco.

YALE, May 9.—Weather cloudy; wind rising, very appearance of rain. Fraser river rising very fast. No news in town. Two trains and trains leave for Seymour's Ferry, two for Alexandria for the Hudson Bay Co.

SALT LAKE, May 8.—Eastern line still down. Heavy storms on line east from Weber to Sandy. Rain fell in abundance and a heavy rainfall of about 10 inches. A heavy rainfall of about 10 inches. A heavy rainfall of about 10 inches.

Sailed—Bark Fremont, Puget Sound.

Candles.—200 boxes May's sold at 23c, coin.

Molasses.—Considerable sales Hawaiian, to arrive, at 32½/35.

Rice.—By auction yesterday 1000 mats No. 1 China and No. 2.

PORTLAND, May 9.—Steamer Orizaba arrived from San Francisco at 4 p.m.

Up-Country News.

The following items of intelligence in addition to those already published in our columns have been telegraphed to the *British Columbian*. In future the up-country items of news will be telegraphed direct to the *Colonist*.

LYTTON, May 9.—Captain Layton left this morning with ten Indians to join Moberly. It is supposed they will do something towards improving the trail from Seymour to the coast.

Twelve Indians leave here to-morrow on account of Romano, to pack goods from Seymour into the mines.

Bula Bros. send a train of twenty-four mules to the coast and will also send twenty-five more to-morrow, all packed for Caribbo.

Everything is lively and everyone is in good spirits.

CLINTON, May 5.—Latest news from Bridge River. The bridge over the Forks of the River, a company of twelve Caribbo miners, took possession of an unrecorded bar (which was being worked at the time by Chinese, who had neither taken out licenses nor recorded). For the first day's work they took out \$7 for the first day's work. Among the owners are P. McKenzie, late foreman in the Hart claim, Caribbo; George Bailey, Charles Nelson, and J. H. Church.

About 60 white men are at work on the river, and among them Mr. Jamieson, commander of last year's Government expedition and Mr. Caldwell. Quite a number of Nanimos are also there.

YALE, May 7.—News has been received from Seymour up to the 29th ult. Owing to the snow getting soft on the mountains. Animals could not cross, and Indians would not pack under 60 cents a pound, and even at that high rate were not inclined to accept freight. A blacksmith which was much wanted at Seymour, which was much wanted at Seymour, which was much wanted at Seymour.

The weather at Seymour had been wet and disagreeable of late.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, May 9.

The Council met at 2:30 p.m. Present—the hon. Colonial Secretary (presiding), Attorney General, Treasurer, Surveyor General, Dr. Fraser, Mr. Finlayson.

DISTRICT COURT BILL.

A communication was received from the House of Assembly asking for a conference on this bill.

Agreed to, and Friday at 2 p.m. fixed for the conference.

PRINTING AND OTHER RETURNS.

Hon. Mr. Fraser moved that he would ask leave at next sitting to move for return of the cost of drafting and printing bills and other papers for both Houses during this session. Also the cost of furnishing the returns ordered by both Houses during the session. To whom payment was made, and what sums, if any, may be due and to whom.

FRANCHISE BILL.

This bill was resumed in Committee, the Hon. Treasurer in the chair.

Clause 16, fixing the duration of the House of Representatives, was read.

Interpretation clause passed.

The clause repealing certain other acts passed.

Before putting the preamble, the Colonial Secretary would move the recommission of class 5, so as to make the value of the property \$1000 instead of \$3000 to correspond with the old bill.

Hon. Attorney General seconded.

Hon. Attorney General said he should be very glad to make it \$1000 if anybody would second it. He thought the prescription too prohibitory. It should enable a man to qualify who was worth \$200 of any kind of property.

Hon. Surveyor General said it was intended to prevent bogus qualifications. It was necessary, a member should hold a property qualification to give him some interest in the country.

Hon. Attorney General said he had been thinking the matter over since and he found it impossible to rebid qualification most proper. It would put about 150 men that he could think of who were otherwise qualified. For instance some persons had been building and going to expense there, but they were disqualified.

Hon. R. Finlayson would not reduce the property qualification. It was necessary to define the qualification. It had been done in the instructions sent to Sir James Douglas.

Hon. Secretary said that the property qualification was not to be a man worth \$1000 worth of property. He objected to any other qualification, as persons had come here carrying themselves merchants who had no property at all, but they were qualified, and then run away. He would like to see legislators holding real property, as it was some guarantee, when they had a stake in the country, that they would legislate for the benefit of the country.

On a division the vote stood—

Contents—The Hon. Attorney General, Surveyor General, and H. Rhodes.

Non-Contents—Hons. Donald Fraser and R. Finlayson.

The bill was then reported complete, read the third time and passed.

NON-RECORD BILL.

Consideration of this bill deferred.

LICENCE BILL.

The Assembly's bill to relieve county licenses beyond half a mile from the city boundaries and not within the boundaries of the City of Victoria, and to amend the law more than ordinary county licenses came up in Committee.

The injustice of the present law was pointed out and freely discussed.

Some discussion also ensued on the probable injustice that might ensue if a county license paying £12 being applied for within a few yards of another house paying £60 per annum, and it was thought that this was a matter which would better left to the discretion of the magistrate.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary drew attention to the fact that the clause in the old bill was retained, making the license which was granted for one year payable in quarterly instalments. It was overruled, and the license was given up and a fresh application made that it was only a renewal of the old yearly license upon which an instalment might be due, and should be paid by the licensee at the end of each quarter.

Applied for a license during break times, carried on business for one or two quarters in opposition to the men who had to contend against hard times, and then went off. These who applied for a license, and the license was not paid, and they had to pay arrears due. He had been often told by liquor dealers that they would prefer that the license should be paid for the whole year in advance, but he had never heard of any of the licensees doing so, or the case might be met by allowing licensees to pay in advance for a half year at an increased rate.

Hon. Mr. Fraser thought the tax was one that should be paid in advance, but he questioned the propriety of such time as these of making the license dealers pay so much at a time.

Hon. Mr. Finlayson thought it unjust to ask a poor man's money for that length of time.

The Hon. Attorney General coincided.

The Hon. Chairman remarked that whole-sale licenses would always be paid in advance for the year to save trouble, but it was not so with the retail license. He was not sure that the licensees would be able to pay in advance, but he was not sure that the licensees would be able to pay in advance, but he was not sure that the licensees would be able to pay in advance.

He further pointed out that there was not a word in the Act about licensing the premises and not the person, nor was there any time of license given, but the magistrates' form of license was taken from the English form, which mentioned the premises, and when cases had come before him he had decided that the licensees were liable for arrears—He (the chairman) thought the license as it stood was altogether illegal.

The Hon. Mr. Fraser thought that if the person and not the premises was licensed the revenue would be lost.

The Hon. Attorney General acquainted the Council with the manner in which licenses were granted in England.

After a further desultory debate the bill passed, clause 1 being amended by the words "on any day" being added to the words "the applicant should not be held liable for any arrears of license due" the words "in respect of previous occupancy."

A clause was introduced by the Hon. Colonial Secretary making the same provisions apply to the town of Nanaimo taking a limit radiating half a mile from the site of the old Bastion of the Hudson Bay Company.

Hon. Mr. Finlayson—That will not include Nanaimo Town.

Hon. Colonial Secretary—I am a property holder in Nanaimo Town, and the only town that I have been able to find there has been no license, but I would like to see a license to sell to the town I would certainly like him have it (laughter).

Hon. Mr. Finlayson—But we must legislate for the future. Nanaimo is marked on the map.

The Hon. Chairman—The village of Nanaimo is composed of several towns (laughter).

The class passed, and the Committee rose and asked leave to sit again. Council then adjourned.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.—No family should be without these pills—Their long-extended use in removing indigestion, stimulating the bowels, and purifying the blood, have secured them imperishable praise throughout the world. Whenever a few doses will relieve the most urgent symptoms and thereafter completely cure all ailments arising from indigestion, liver, empty bowels, biliousness, headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, and all other ailments. Vigor, natural activity, and wholesome regularity in every of digestion, dimness of sight, headache, and all other ailments. They expel rheumatism.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Wednesday, May 9.

Speaker took his seat at 1:30 p.m. Present—Messrs. DeCosmos, McClure, Young, Trimble, Dickson, Garwood.

INVESTMENT AND LOAN BILL.

This bill passed the third reading.

VOLUNTEER BILL.

Mr. Young asked leave to introduce this bill, as a matter of courtesy to the Upper House, but if hon. gentlemen did not think it necessary, he would withdraw.

Mr. Trimble disapproved of the bill as unnecessary. A number of foreigners have joined our ranks, and formed a very excellent corps. The bill would be the means of driving them out, and it was not the one carried through the Upper House.

Dr. Dickson did not consider such a bill advisable in a small community like this; neither was it necessary for offensive purposes.

LEAVE WAS REFUSED.

Yeas—Young, DeCosmos. Noes—Messrs. Trimble, Dickson, Garwood, McClure.

SANITARY PROVISIONS.

Dr. Dickson introduced his notice of motion to consider the sanitary condition of the city. He referred to the total absence of sewerage, and the fact that the water, which had been coming from the lot behind, and connected with no main drain. From Government to Store street a collection of filth, noxious matter, and debris was deposited by the Indians and others, and this debris and filth fermented from the heat of the soil emitted most hurtful gases.

Dr. Helmecken—Does it ferment?—(laughter).

Dr. Dickson pointed out the various deleterious nuisances that prevailed the city, and recommended that the Corporation be provided with funds to remove these nuisances.

Dr. Helmecken said he would not do animal matter or excretions were so deleterious. He believed the nuisances arose chiefly from the number of dead dogs which were poisoned by the butchers. The town was not in so bad a state as it seemed to be.

Some of these stagnant pools and offensive collections would with this warm weather soon dry up and cease to annoy.

Mr. DeCosmos said he remembered a very large dog which he had seen at the social science congress, to prove that stinks were wholesome. The nuisances complained of were a just punishment to the town.

He referred to the Corporation, which was established in 1868, the Corporation had only existed in name, it was absolutely necessary to the well being of all large communities to have an incorporation.

He thought the better plan would be to appoint a committee to visit the Upper House, and ascertain what they had done with the Corporation bill.

Dr. Helmecken said the social science man must have been a Yorkshireman, as they call the dogs in the north of England. There were nuisances no doubt. Instead of waiting upon the Upper House, however he thought the better plan would be for the Governor to appoint a committee to visit the Upper House, and ascertain what they had done with the Corporation bill.

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I am, yours respectfully,
A CARIBBO MINER.

ADVERTISING AS A MORAL DUTY.

A NEW VIEW OF THE SUBJECT.

Some years ago it was proposed by an American physician that members of the Faculty should advertise their remedies and modes of treating diseases in the newspapers. It was a bold and many idea. It was scorned, however, by the profession generally, as *infelix*. But there are many degrees in publicity? Is it not rather the great touchstone that wins pre-eminence and universalizes the practical benefits of all valuable inventions and discoveries? Should not a profession that aims at the mitigation of suffering, and the preservation of life, make the means of attaining these grand objects known through the channel of information most accessible to all classes and conditions—the columns of the public press? If it declines to do so, the natural inference is, either that the desire of secrecy arises from a sordid, monopolizing, energetic spirit, or from a lack of faith in its own prescriptions.

Viewing the subject in this light, we may profess on the teeth and hair, and for twenty years ago overpowered the barriers which the profession had erected between itself and the public, and plunged fearlessly into the new-
paper arena. He had discovered, or rather he had discovered, the value of his experiments, two preparations which he believed to be specific for nearly all the diseases of mankind; and as an indication of his confidence in them, and a proof of his philanthropic spirit, he had resolved to make them should be accessible to the whole world, he advertised them wherever advertising media existed. This was the severest ordeal to which he

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GOLD MINES,
British Columbia

The Safest, the Shortest and the Cheapest Route to these rich Placer Mines is by way of

Victoria, Vancouver Island.

Passengers going this way have not to cross the dangerous Columbia River Bar, and the distance is over One-Third or 270 Miles—Shorter by way of Victoria than by way of Portland.

The Governments of Vancouver Island and British Columbia have subsidised the following powerful steamers to carry miners from San Francisco to Victoria and New Westminster direct—

The Hudson Bay Co's Stmr. Labouchere, Capt. Mon.

The Cal. S. Co's Stmr. Active, Capt. Thorne.

These, or other first-class steamers, will run on this route regularly, and will connect at Victoria with swift River steamers carrying passengers to Yale, a distance of 175 miles.

From Yale to Savana Ferry, a distance of 133 miles, there is a splendid Government Wagon Road and Comfortable stage Wagon Houses every few miles; over this road travellers can easily walk, or they can ride in the comfortable Four-horse Stages.

From Savana Ferry the Hudson Bay Co's new and swift Steamer Marten will run to Osoyoos Lake, a distance of 111 miles.

From Osoyoos Lake to the Columbia River, a distance of 34 miles, there is an excellent Government Pack Trail.

Miners going to the Rich Mines of BRIDGE RIVER OR CARIBOO

can do so by the Government Wagon Road from Yale, over which it is easy to walk, or travellers can ride in fast Stages.

The Steamer running from San Francisco for the conveyance of passengers, by way of Victoria and the Fraser River, being under contract to the British Colonial Governments, the Rates of Fare charged are very low, and passengers are expeditiously, comfortably and cheaply conveyed from Victoria to the mines.

Miners going from San Francisco to the British Columbia Gold Mines will derive another great advantage by visiting the FREE PORT OF VICTORIA. In Victoria, Miners can supply themselves with every article they require, free of duty, and 25 to 50 per cent cheaper than they can buy similar goods in California or Oregon.

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